

## ORANGEMEN GATHER HERE TO CELEBRATE

### Grand Lodge Officers and Members of three Principal Districts Make City a Blaze of Color.

"To the glorious, pious and immortal memory of great and good King William, who saved us from slavery, knavery, brass money and wooden shoes, has the Orange Order been dedicated. It celebrates the crossing of the Boyne by William of Orange in 1690 and also the battle of Aughrim, that took place 216 years ago to-day. There is a general impression that the battle of the Boyne is the cause of the festivities, but it is not. This battle occurred on July 1st, 1690, and Orangemen who want to celebrate it must infuse extra patriotism into Dominion Day.

The Orange order took its rise from the many conflicts in Ireland between the Protestant and Roman Catholic bodies during and after the war of the succession. Many sanguinary conflicts took place, and finally, on September 21st, 1798, the first Orange lodge was established in the village of Loughgall, County Antrim. The order spread with great rapidity, and by November, 1798, had reached the dignity of a grand lodge for Ireland. In 1808 it extended to England, and a Grand lodge for the United Kingdom was established in Manchester. This seat of this body was transferred to London in 1821, where it has since remained.

In 1827 a member of the royal family, the Duke of Cumberland, was elected grand master for England, the next year being raised to the position of imperial grand master. As the outcome of an alleged Orange conspiracy to alter the succession to the crown in favor of this duke, a prolonged parliamentary inquiry was held in 1835, but the blame was not fixed, and the investigation was productive of very small results.

The principal object of the Loyal Orange lodges, as subordinate bodies are called, is the preservation of Protestant ascendancy, and the maintenance of that branch of religious belief. As is always the case in bodies of a sectarian character a certain number of fanatics have from time to time become members and brought discredit on a large body of law-abiding, conscientious men. Only acts on the part of these irresponsible secretaries have, in the minds of many, created a prejudice against the order in general. The presence in this city, however, of a large proportion of the membership, including men occupying prominent official and business positions, should tend to remove this misapprehension and place the Orange order in its true light. Though many may disagree with the opinions inculcated, the members have always been ready to battle for civil and religious liberty and defend the integrity of the Empire.

A striking instance of this, now almost forgotten, occurred in Victoria during the time of the Fenian raids in 1870. Lieutenant-Governor Musgrave decided it would be necessary to take steps for protection and called Arthur Hill, McBride, father of the present premier and a resident of New Westminster, into consultation on the subject. That gentleman's advice was explicit but good. He suggested the Orangemen of the city should be drilled and placed in a position to defend the colony if necessary. In his position of head of the local police, Mr. McBride was able to carry out the programme without publicity. There were a large number of rifles stored in the local jail. The members of the Orange order were secretly gathered together, instructed in the manipulation of fire arms and their names and addresses placed on what was termed a regimental roster. Regular patrols and a system of espionage established, and everything made ready for the expected trouble. Fortunately, no necessity for action arose, but the incident goes to show that the Orange order would have been found in the forefront should actual hostilities have followed the scare.

Men, women and children are included in the order's membership. The Loyal Orange lodge is composed of males over 18, the Loyal True Blues of wives and sisters of members, being over the same age; while the rising generation is taken care of by boys lodges, known by the name of Loyal Orange Young Britons. Canada has always been since the introduction of Orangemen, a stronghold of the order, and it has to a certain extent permeated the entire States. Tents have been altered to suit local exigencies, but the maintenance of Protestantism has always remained the principal object of the association. In British America there are to-day somewhere over 1,000 lodges, with a membership of nearly 50,000, and, particularly in Ontario, it exercises a powerful political influence. British Columbia has been for many years the scene of great Orange activity. The first lodge, the New Westminster lodge, No. 1190, was instituted with the late William Johnson as its worthy master. Following some years afterwards by the formation of Victoria lodge, No. 1426. Both of these are in existence to-day, and well up in the list of membership. Vancouver, No. 1550, is, however, the banner lodge, with about 300 members. The province is divided into six districts, besides which there are 19 isolated lodges in the interior. There are 61 lodges of the different branches in the province, with a total membership of about 7,200, made up of 52 L. O. L., 49 Young Britons, Loyal True Blues with 200 members, and 3 Loyal Orange Young Britons with 150.

The different districts with the number of lodges and members are as follows:

District	Lodges	Members
Victoria	2	250
Nanaimo	4	340
Vancouver	12	1,180
New Westminster	12	1,050
Fraser River	5	350
Rosedale	2	200
Isolated lodges	19	1,300
Total	52	4,090

No financial statistics are available for publication, but it is well known that the order has ample funds at its disposal. The emblem flower of the order is the shamrock, which is worn by both officers and members of subordinate or primary lodges. This flower does not grow in British Columbia, but is found in Ireland and Ontario, where it blooms freely about this time of the year.

Considerable public interest is felt in the different colors displayed in the regalia worn by members of the Orange order. Shortly the distinctive colors may thus be described: Members of primary lodge wear an orange colored sash, officers of the same an orange colored collar. Four other degrees are conferred by subordinate bodies—the blue, purple, arch and scarlet. After a member has passed the first three he is entitled to wear an orange sash with blue or purple stripes. Upon attaining the scarlet degree, which is termed a "Scarlet Knight," and wears a sash of the color mentioned. There is also a further degree, not actually a branch of the regalia, but rather an attachment thereto, known as the Black Preceptory. The members of this branch wear a black sash with scarlet tassels, the ends being decorated with a red Geneva cross.

The regalia of officers is a collar similar to that worn by many other orders. As mentioned previously the officers of subordinate lodges wear a blue velvet collar. Those of district lodges wear dark blue collars of the same material, and county lodges those of purple. Grand lodge officers wear scarlet collars with heavy gold decorations. Upon them also appear the emblem of the order—the rose, thistle and shamrock entwined with the addition, in Canada, of the maple leaf. Though green is usually taken as the color of Ireland, such is not correct. The proper color is dark blue, as evidenced by the ribbon of the order of St. Patrick and the Irish portion of the design of the Union Jack. In the case, the regalia of the female Orange lodges, the Loyal True Blues and the Orange Young Britons, consists of a blue sash or collar with orange silk trimmings.

Victoria has the honor this year of entertaining the grand lodge officers and members of subordinate lodges in the Victoria, Vancouver and Nanaimo districts. New Westminster, Fraser River and Rosedale would have been represented, but found it impossible to secure transportation. But Orangemen—all over British Columbia will celebrate a center piece, no less than three gatherings taking place besides the principal one in this city. The three districts last mentioned are meeting at Abbotsford, under the auspices of L. O. L. No. 1876. Fernie and Cranbrook are celebrating in the latter place as guests of L. O. L. No. 1871. The other isolated districts are gathering at Salmon Arm, where extensive preparations have been made for entertainment by L. O. L. No. 1642.

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### YESTERDAY'S PARTIES

Successful Garden Fete Given on Lawns at Mrs. Rattenbury's and Mrs. Dalby's.

The garden party given on the grounds of Mrs. E. M. Rattenbury at Oak Bay yesterday afternoon was well attended, and a very enjoyable afternoon and evening was spent. The fete was given for the purpose of rendering financial aid to the widow and family of the late James Gordon of Alberni, who was accidentally killed by a train on the C. P. R. line, which was very deserving. The funds will be divided between these two.

Booths were provided on the grounds and a good business was done at these. A candy stall was in charge of Mrs. J. and Miss J. and Mrs. Jack Gray. A corner grocery was fitted up by Mrs. M. and Master Stavert. Another booth which did a good business was that under the charge of Mrs. R. and Mrs. Howard and Mrs. Rattenbury. Fancy goods and articles of home manufacture were placed on sale here. The ice cream department also did a flourishing business.

Amusements of various kinds were afforded, among them being an archery

contest under the charge of Miss Hall and Miss White. Songs were also given by Miss E. Schell, Miss Buckman, the Capital Minstrels, Mr. Shaw, Bert Aaronson and Harry Aaronson, and instrumental selections were given by Miss Thain and Messrs. Jamieson, Homan and Locke. The returns from the fete were very substantial.

St. Barnabas' Fete.  
On the grounds at the residence of Mrs. Dalby, North Chatham street, yesterday afternoon a well attended garden fete was held under the auspices of St. Barnabas' church. On opening at 3 o'clock, the sector of the church, Rev. E. G. Miller, delivered a short address. Booths were arranged for the sale of candy, flowers, ice cream and fruits, and were placed under the charge of the Ladies' Aid, St. Barnabas' Guild, and the Willing Helpers' Society. Lunch was provided at one of the booths.

Mrs. Fox and her pupils supplied music during the afternoon. In the evening the orchestra of Jesse Longfield took their place. Rev. Mr. Miller also provided during the evening a fireworks display.

## A GOOD AVERAGE RUN IS PREDICTED

### BY THOSE ENGAGED IN SALMON INDUSTRY

#### Outlook Reported Roseate by Trap Owners—Recent High Tides Dam- age the Nets.

The salmon run is gradually increasing in its proportions. Each lift of the Vancouver Island traps brings to the surface a larger number of the coveted sockeye. Mixed with these are quite a few spring salmon weighing from forty to fifty pounds apiece. While the former are shipped to the canneries as rapidly as possible, and carried the latter are forwarded to the eastern sheds and put up for sale in eastern markets. For the past two days the traps in the immediate vicinity of Victoria have not been raised, but it is expected that when that step is taken the haul will be larger than has yet been taken this year.

The recent high tides have caused some damage, and this is being repaired without loss of time. As soon as the work is finished the employees of the Capital City Canning Co., J. H. Todd & Sons, and other firms owning traps will turn their attention to the fish, and an interesting movement is expected in respect to the volume of the run.

This morning a Times reporter communicated with J. H. Todd, and was informed that there wasn't much to record out of the ordinary. The sockeyes were coming in slowly. The traps had not been lifted for a couple of days, so that it was impossible to give any late news of the catches. It was true that the high tides had somewhat interfered with operations, but the damage was not so great as to cause any great inconvenience. The repairs were well under way. When asked regarding the prospects, Mr. Todd declined to express an opinion. It was impossible to predict whether the run would be large or small. That was a thing that could only be ascertained by time, the season being as uncertain in their habits as spring weather.

Since the establishment of a trap at Clover Point there has been considerable speculation among local canners as to whether the fish can be caught at that site in any quantities. Inquiry at the local headquarters of the Capital City Canning Co. this morning elicited the information that the venture is turning out even better than the most sanguine could have wished for. Of course the run has not yet been large, but then the run has hardly commenced. In all probability the trap will be lifted this afternoon, and all concerned are looking forward to the result with considerable interest, and it must be acknowledged, with some anxiety.

The average catches of sockeyes on the Fraser river have been better recently than before, and the take at the Sound traps has also improved. On the main river last night the average catch to the boat was twenty-five fish, on the upper from twenty-five to sixty, according to the canneries served, at Cape Pass fifty-five, and on the north arm of the river, twenty-seven fish.

The Pacific American Fisheries Company of Bellingham secured fourteen thousand fish on Monday, three thousand of them being from Lummi Island, and three thousand from the salmon banks, and eight thousand from various points on the Gulf. The Sound sockeyes were doing very little on the same day, as few fish were jumping. Sockeyes are now running at Rivers Inlet, and on Saturday last the average was between forty and fifty fish to the boat. Some boats secured as many as one hundred and twenty-five fish, and a few took as many as three hundred.

The outlook for a successful season. The catches on the Sound had about twelve thousand cases up to last Saturday night. On the whole local canners believe that the indications could not be more favorable. They do not expect a heavy season, but they are confident that the average one. Their opinions all appear to coincide in this, so that the prediction may be given as much credit as it is safe at any time to place upon prophecies.

A little boy named Paul, eleven years old, hanged himself in his home at Paris, because he had accidentally killed his brother.

## DREYFUS HAS BEEN VINDICATED

### THE SUPREME COURT ANNULS CONDEMNATION

#### The Captain, After Long Fight, Is Entitled to Restoration to Rank in Army.

(Associated Press.)  
Paris, July 12.—The Supreme court to-day announced its decision, annulling the condemnation of Dreyfus without a retrial.

The effect of the decision is a complete vindication of Dreyfus, entitling him to restoration to his rank in the army as though he had never been accused.

Captain Alfred Dreyfus, of the artillery, member of a wealthy Hebrew family of Alsace, where he was born in 1859, was convicted in 1894, after a long and bitter fight, of communicating French military secrets to a foreign power. Two months later he was tried by court-martial and found guilty, and on January 5th he was publicly degraded and deported to Devil's Island near Cayenne, French Guiana, there, he spent the remainder of his days. The friends and relatives of Dreyfus, notably his wife, always believed in his innocence, and devoted all their energies to the work of proving that he had been unjustly condemned.

Col. Picquart, when he became chief of the intelligence department of the French army in 1896, examined the documents in the proceedings against Dreyfus, and formed the opinion that the evidence against him was insufficient. He determined to see that justice was done to Dreyfus.

Soon afterwards Col. Picquart was superseded as chief of the intelligence department by Col. Henry, and then began a fight to preserve the honor of the French army. Dreyfus on November 15th, 1897, charged Esterhazy with writing the incriminating documents, but the latter was acquitted by a court-martial.

When M. Cauchat became head of the French war office he read in the chamber of deputies rival documents which he said proved the guilt of Dreyfus. Col. Picquart afterwards charged that these documents were forgeries for which he was arrested and degraded. The friends of Dreyfus were concerned with the welfare of the soldier outside his bare profession, they would not get the quality of men needed.

(Associated Press.)  
London, July 12.—War Secretary Haldane in opening the new portion of the soldiers' and sailors' home at Pimlico last night said unless the people worked for the welfare of the soldier outside his bare profession, they would not get the quality of men needed.

They could not induce men to give the country their best unless they were prepared to hold out some prospect of care and help due to those willing to lay down their lives for the nation.

For some time, he said, a war office committee had been laboring on plans along these lines, and for the co-operation of existing agencies with some state assistance for a systematized arrangement for providing employment for former soldiers and improving their material condition. The committee's report would show how deeply the religious aspect had impressed those concerned with army administration.

Mr. Haldane was not connected with any particular denomination, but held the profound conviction that unless those concerned with the welfare of the soldier strove to awaken in him a sense of his infinite worth and of the eternal, they would never succeed in their work. Soldiers and sailors, he said, are liable to temptation, as are all men; but safeguard was the conscientiousness that man is as necessary to God as God is to man.

He had been striving to develop a new element in the war office organization for increasing the breadth and reality of the foundation on which this modern army should be built. He said the army council had decided to appoint a committee as part of the regular army organization charged with looking after the spiritual needs of the soldiers on a broad and comprehensive basis. All churches would be represented on this committee and it would also include distinguished laymen who appreciated these matters.

### STEAMER ASHORE.

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Lagos, Wyo., July 12.—A message from Trempealeau at 3:35 a. m. sent by the Burlington railroad agent, says that everyone who was on board the steamer Quincy, which ran ashore and burned near there last night, will be saved.

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### WARM WEATHER.

(Associated Press.)  
Winipeg, July 11.—The hot spell has continued with any time, increasing in intensity during the past few days, and yesterday the thermometer registered 101 in the shade. To-night it is cooler, and thunderstorms indicate relief for the sweltering citizens.

Such excessive heat without any precipitation or casualties having been recorded is certainly a marked tribute to the buoyancy of the climate.

A Dubois, Pa., dispatch says: The long coal strike in this region was settled Wednesday in a conference between representatives of the coal companies and miners' officials, and employees will return to work next Monday.

## GOLD ROBBERY.

### Seattle, Wash., July 12.—More than \$100,000, consigned to the Alaska Pacific Express Company here, has been stolen from aboard the steamer Ida May, and no clue has been obtained as to who the robbers are.

The shipment was sent from Fairbanks, and was transferred at Tanana. The Ida May was to transfer it to the Sarah at Fort Gibbon, and it was there that the loss was discovered.

### SIX PERSONS KILLED.

Brakes on Motor Omnibus Failed to Act, and It Was Overturned.

(Associated Press.)  
London, July 12.—Owing to the brakes failing to act, a motor omnibus running from London to Brighton dashed down a steep hill, near Crawley this morning and was overturned.

Six of the passengers were killed and a score more badly hurt, some of them probably sustaining fatal injuries.

## EMPLOYMENT FOR FORMER SOLDIERS

### SPECIAL COMMITTEE HAS MATTER IN HAND

#### War Secretary Haldane Says Spiritual Needs Require as Much Attention as Material Wants.

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## RUSSIAN CABINET HAS RESIGNED

### CZAR SEEKING TO ARRANGE COMPROMISE

#### Not Ready to Call in Constitutional Dem- ocrats and Desires Coalition Ministry.

(Associated Press.)  
St. Petersburg, July 12.—Finance Minister Kokovsov has given the resignation of the entire cabinet in the hands of the Emperor.

So far as can be learned, however, His Majesty is not yet ready to charge the resignation of the cabinet with the task of forming a ministry, and is still seeking to compromise the issue by forming a coalition cabinet composed of the more solid of the Conservative and Liberal elements in the lower and upper houses of parliament under the leadership of Count Hydon and M. Stakovich.

Grand Duke Nicholas Nicholovich, commander of the guards corps and the troops in the military district of St. Petersburg, has tendered his resignation to the Emperor on account of the Protopopov affair, but His Majesty declined to accept it.

Robbers at Liberty.  
The police have not found any trace of the men who robbed Assistant Cashier Gasparyovitch of the admiralty yesterday, but there is reason to believe that they were former workmen from Port Arthur who turned revolutionists on account of the treatment to which they were subjected there.

### RACE HORSE OWNER'S WILL.

J. R. Gubbins Left Personal Estate Exclusive of Realty Valued at \$840,125.

(Associated Press.)  
London, July 12.—As was shown by his will, which was proved yesterday, John Russell Gubbins of County Lanter, the celebrated race-horse owner, left a personal estate, exclusive of realty, valued at \$840,125. Mr. Gubbins bequeathed \$5,000 to his stud groom Michael Burns, and a year's wages to all his servants. The residue of the estate will go to Mr. Gubbins's two nephews, E. N. Browning and D. R. Browning. Mr. Gubbins won many big races, including the Derby with Galtee More in 1897, and with Arj Patrick in 1902. The former was sold to the Russian government for \$100,000, and the latter to the German government for the same amount.

### FOR SAN FRANCISCO

Chicago Commercial Association Will Send Five Hundred Sewing Machines.

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## MINE CONDEMNED.

### Stamp in Shares of Glasgow Exchange Company on Glasgow Exchange.

(Associated Press.)  
Glasgow, July 12.—There was a big slump in the shares of the Glasgow Exchange Company on the local stock exchange to-day in consequence of the announcement that Frederick Sibbert, the expert appointed to examine the property had condemned the mine. Five dollar shares dropped immediately to \$1.12.

### AUTOMOBILE TOUR.

Three Score Machines Start From Buffalo on Eleven Hundred Mile Trip.

(Associated Press.)  
Buffalo, N. Y., July 12.—Three score automobiles started from here to-day on the 1,100-mile tour of the American automobile association through northwestern New York, Quebec and the New England states to the White mountains.

## TURKS ACTED LIKE WILD BEASTS

### WHOLESALE SLAUGHTER AND DESTRUCTION

#### Population of City in Turkish Armenia Reported to Have Been Almost Wiped Out.

(Associated Press.)  
Tiflis, Trans-Caucasia, July 12.—Alarming news has been received here of horrible ravages by Turkish troops across the border in Turkish Armenia. Soldiers who were collecting taxes are said to have indulged in frightful atrocities.

The population of the city of Van is represented to have been nearly destroyed by the Turkish troops, who pulled down houses, assaulted the women and acted generally like wild beasts.

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RUMORS OF RUST  
IN WHEAT DENIEDGRAIN WAS NEVER  
IN BETTER CONDITION

Five Year Old Boy Accidentally Shot His  
Sister—Members of Regimental  
Band Dismissed.

Winnipeg, July 11.—A very exhaustive investigation conducted at a score of points representative of the entire country quite disprove the market rumor sent out from here to-day to the effect that the wheat crop was badly rusted. This absurd rumor is evidently got up solely for the purpose of manipulating the market by interested parties, whereas as a matter of fact wheat never was in better condition nor promised such a bountiful yield.

## Indian Census.

Winnipeg, July 11.—The Indian population of the West will be counted during the present census-taking and most reliable statistics concerning the aboriginal population will be tabulated.

## Proposed Amalgamation.

Edmonton, July 11.—The regular quarterly meeting of the delegates representing all the local unions in northern Alberta of the Canadian Society of Equity met yesterday afternoon in the city hall and held an interesting session, dispatching much important business. The main object of the convention was to consider the advisability of amalgamation with the Alberta Farmers' Association. The decision of the convention was the appointment of a committee of three to confer with a similar committee from the Alberta Farmers' Association, appointed at Calgary last May.

## Edmonton Improvements.

Edmonton, July 11.—The city council last night awarded contracts aggregating over \$200,000 for sewer and water extensions to Taylor, Bouchier & Peters, a local firm. Tenders also were received from the Builders' Supply & Construction Company and the Canadian White Company truck sewer along Rat Creek and adjacent streets to drain the northwest corner of the city.

## Accidentally Shot.

Kingsport, July 11.—Harold Steele, aged 5, living near Arden, pulled a rifle out from under a bed while his parents were absent, and in the act the weapon was discharged, killing a 10-year-old sister.

## Band Dismissed.

London, July 11.—An order issued by Col. J. W. Little dismisses members of the band of the Seventh Regiment, and the officers are now advertising for musicians for a new band. The seventh band was organized in 1854. It played the regiment away to the Fenian raid and in 1885 led the soldiers as they marched for the Northwest to put down the Riel rebellion. The cause of the dismissal is due to a refusal by the band to play in the Fenian Day unless the members were paid \$5 each.

## Died From Injuries.

Hamilton, July 11.—Andrew McGarvin died at the hospital yesterday as

a result, the police allege, of being "kicked in the head by Alex. McDonald. Both men worked at the Norton Canning Company's works. A warrant was issued for McDonald's arrest.

## Decides to Remain.

Toronto, July 11.—Dr. Goldwin Smith, whose resignation from the directorate of Toronto University was announced yesterday, has decided to remain on the board for some time.

## Candidate Selected.

Pembroke, July 11.—North Renfrew Conservatives yesterday nominated Gerald White, son of the late Hon. Peter White, to contest the riding for the House of Commons.

## RAILWAY WRECKS.

Three Italians Killed and Several  
Frightfully Injured.

Galt, Ont., July 10.—The C. P. R. at the point where the line crosses the Blair road, was the scene of a railway collision at noon today. A freight train from the east making its way, it is said, contrary to orders, ran into a construction train carrying half-a-hundred Italian navvies. The result was a day wreck and the loss of at least three lives, with a dozen men frightfully injured.

## Cars Left Track.

Winnipeg, July 10.—A wreck on the C. P. R. reported last evening, was more serious than the meagre details at first obtainable would indicate. It occurred near Niblock, and it is little short of miraculous that great loss of life was not recorded. Two board ing cars which were being moved from English to Dexter, and which contained over 40 Galicians, jumped the track, one car telescoping the other, and two freight cars piling up on top of them. Strange to say not a person was hurt.

## CHINAMAN DROWNED.

Schinaman named Yick Chong was accidentally drowned in False creek, Vancouver, on Tuesday morning. He was working on a boom of logs near the Cotton shingle mill, just west of the north end of the Granville street bridge, when he slipped off a log and into the water. Some spectators saw him apparently swimming with might and main to save himself, when he was seen to sink suddenly beneath the water, as if seized with cramp. The on-lookers put out to his assistance immediately, and did everything they could to rescue him, but it was all in vain. The body was finally drawn out with a grappling hook. The coroner decided that it was a clear case of accidental drowning, and no inquest was necessary.

It is rather singular that this is the third drowning accident that has occurred within the same vicinity during the past week.

## LABORER'S SUICIDE.

Placed Stick of Dynamite Under His  
Head and Lit Fuse.

Winnipeg, July 10.—Brooding over wages spent in a protracted drunken spree, a Swedish laborer on the G. T. P. construction camp at Shelia, named Alfred Nelson, committed suicide on Sunday afternoon in a horrible manner. He placed a stick of dynamite under his head and set it off, blowing himself to pieces. His body was found 50 feet away. Dr. Birdsall held an inquest and a verdict of suicide was returned.

MR. CHAMBERLAIN IS  
CONFIDENT OF SUCCESS

Speech at Special Meeting of Tariff Commission—Cause is Gaining  
Ground.

London, July 11.—At a special meeting of the tariff commission to-day, a presentation was made to Mr. Chamberlain, commemorating the anniversary of his seventieth birthday. In making the presentation, Mr. Hicks, chairman, expressed the gratification of the commission that Mr. Chamberlain had lived, not merely to celebrate his seventieth birthday, but to celebrate it in the prime of his vigor and at a time when the great cause with which he associated himself, was speedily gaining ground.

In the course of a cordial reply, Mr. Chamberlain said: "Nothing that has happened has shaken in the slightest degree my own conviction of the necessity for the work we have undertaken and of its certain ultimate success. Sometimes I see it stated we have been premature in this matter. It might, with greater justice, be said that we have delayed a little too long, but I imagine there are very few of us who were not brought up in doctrines different from those which we have been forced by circumstances to accept, and although I am not in the slightest degree ashamed of any change in my opinions, I do think in order to justify such change it was necessary we should convince ourselves of its absolute necessity. What has happened here is only what has happened not so many years ago in the case of Canada, in the case also of most of those countries which are protected.

"Countries like Germany and Canada, at one time free trade countries, and other countries as well, discovered that in pursuance of the policy of free trade, they could not promote satisfactorily the full prosperity of their respective countries. Nothing was more interesting than to read the other day, speeches made before the British Empire league by Colonel Denison and Mr. Drummond. They gave the history of the movement in Canada, showed how the infant industries of Canada would certainly have been stifled, destroyed, if they continued under a free trade policy. To this time there are still persons in Canada who call themselves free traders and we know or think we know that there is not one of them who would freely put into logical application the old doctrine of free trade. In Canada they felt it necessary to establish these infant industries and could only do so by giving them some kind of defence against what was otherwise the overwhelming competition of their great neighbor. See in their case how all predictions of evil have been falsified, how great is the benefit which followed the adoption of their policy. (Applause.)

"Let us remember that at the commencement Canada and America were justified by one of our greatest economists, John Stuart Mills, who admitted, greatly to the discomfort of some of our more rigid free traders, that protection against such competitors as they had to fear, was justifiable in case of industries, which although old industries, are now being subjected to new conditions which are unfair, which under ordinary circumstances it would be impossible to meet. We are as much justified in maintaining our trade by the proposals now moving as Americans and Canadians were in starting trade which has now reached such gigantic proportions.

Mr. Chamberlain added that he had confident expectation of an early consummation of the endeavor to maintain the prosperity of the country and unite more strongly the different parts of the Empire.

The tariff commission has during two years published nine volumes of its report, including an exhaustive report on agriculture now under consideration, and which will be published shortly. This will be followed by a special report on preference which will be circulated throughout the Empire. The commission expects to complete its survey of British trade conditions in the early autumn.

## AN ADJOURNMENT.

Cleveland, July 11.—After examining four witnesses to-day, the federal grand jury which has been investigating charges of discrimination against various railroads and the Standard Oil Company adjourned at noon to-day until Monday. District Attorney Sullivan refused to give the real cause of the adjournment, but it was learned on good authority that it was taken to enable him to go to Washington to consult with Attorney-General Moody relative to the present status of the case.

## ACCUSED OF MURDER.

Minneapolis, July 11.—Nathan Riggs was arrested at Elroy, Wis., this afternoon on information from the city. Riggs is a conductor on the Chicago & St. Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha railroad. He is accused by Miss W. E. Brown, a woman living in Minneapolis, of murdering her husband, who was killed by a train. Riggs is said to have been "Miss Brown's business adviser," and there is evidence tending to show that he accompanied her to the National Bank of Commerce yesterday, where she had a draft for \$2,421 cashed.

United States Secretary of Agriculture Wilson has finished his work in Chicago. He said he was satisfied that the packers of Chicago are making every effort to put their plants in sanitary condition, and that the department will put the revised regulations into effect August 1st.

## SHOT BY SAILOR.

Vice-Admiral Choukhn is in Serious  
Condition.

Sebastopol, July 11.—Vice-Admiral Choukhn, who was shot here this afternoon in an extremely serious condition. The bullet lodged in his lung, making breathing difficult. The doctors hold out no hope for his recovery.

The admiral's assailant is thought to be one of the sailors of the battleship Ochakoff and the deed is supposed to have been committed by a sailor named Lieut. Schmidt, the rebel leader. At the time of the execution of Schmidt the revolutionists condemned the admiral to death, 100 of their number pledging themselves to carry out the sentence.

This is the second attempt since Schmidt's execution, March 19th, of this year. The first attempt was made by a woman, and after her effort had failed, Admiral Choukhn ordered her killed on the spot, and his order was brutally carried out in the courtyard. For this the admiral was again condemned to death by the revolutionists. His name was never mentioned among his sailors unless it was accompanied by curses, on account of his overbearing manner.

The would-be assassin is a sailor who hid in the bushes and shot at the admiral as he was walking in the garden of his villa. The culprit has not been apprehended.

## CABINET CRISIS.

Trouble Over Proposal to Reduce the  
Shipbuilding Programme.

London, July 12.—The Express this morning says the cabinet is in the throes of serious crisis. "Split in twain on the vital question whether the navy shall be maintained in a condition of efficiency, or shall be weakened considerably by drastic nations being permitted to outdistance us in the race for naval equipment."

The paper points out that some days ago the cabinet decided to reduce this year's shipbuilding programme, abandoning the two battleships of the Dreadnaught class, which originally it was intended to lay down the coming autumn.

Three or four members of the cabinet, it is asserted, expressed themselves as opposed to "this most dangerous economy."

Then came protests from the board of admiralty experts, including Sir John Fisher, admiral of the fleet, all of whom threatened to resign if the cabinet persisted.

At the cabinet meeting on Tuesday there was a prolonged discussion, but the majority stood steadfast for the resolution. The protest, however, had the effect of postponing consideration of the naval estimates to July 27th.

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Paris, July 11.—Paul Morton, president of the Equitable Life Assurance Society, is here, going over the French insurance situation. He had a long conference with United States Ambassador McCormick. Forty-five days remain for the new insurance law to be passed. In the meantime the company must accept the decision of the French premiums must be invested in approved French securities or withdrawn. Mr. Morton has not yet reached a decision, but indications point to the withdrawal of the Equitable from the field and to similar action on the part of other American companies.

## LOST IN SPECULATION.

London, July 11.—Official and other inquiries are on foot regarding the affairs of Charles Chester, a solicitor who died in May last after having lost, it is alleged, between £1,500,000 and £2,000,000 of his clients' money.

The main losses affect five or six including Lord Amherst, of Hackney. The latter had sold Diddington hall, Brandon, Norfolk, for a large sum of money, a considerable portion of which was held in the form of trust funds by Chester.

It was at first thought Lord Amherst was practically ruined. He, however, is not the hardest hit. The heaviest loser is said to be a woman, whose name is unknown, who is loser by \$500,000.

It is alleged that Chester's defalcations extended over several years, and were largely the outcome of speculation in the stock exchange, principally in mining shares.

It is thought the inquiry will result in the prosecution of several persons who were privy to Chester's alleged frauds.

## DARBY'S MURDER.

London, July 11.—A dispatch to a news agency from St. Petersburg, says that three young men in students' uniform shot and wounded a paymaster and two watchmen in the office of the paymaster of the admiralty and decamped with a team with \$12,000.

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DOMINION PARLIAMENT.

The session of the Dominion Parli-

ment which may come to an end to-

day was not prolific of any measure of

conspicuous importance. The govern-

ment had not prepared a very elabo-

rate programme because of the an-

nounced determination to change the

date and seasons of the meeting of the

two Houses of the Legislature, for the

convenience of the members and for

the promotion of the public interests.

The business requiring the attention of

Parliament has grown so rapidly that

it has become apparent that a few

months in the early portion of the year

are no longer sufficient to meet the re-

quirements of the situation. Conse-

quently, instead of assembling for the

dispatch of business practically at the

beginning of spring and tolling and

sweltering in the heat of the summer

months, the members will be called

together in the early part of winter in

the belief that as a consequence nei-

ther the private interests of members

nor the business of the country will

suffer from the lack of that devotion

to duty which is so essential to the

general welfare of the Dominion.

Because of this change of programme

a short session was anticipated. But

the government proposed and the op-

position disposed in this instance. The

Conservative party thought it had

business on its hands that would not

admit of delay. It proposed to hold

what it denominated a "scandal ses-

sion," and the unimpeachable and irre-

proachable Mr. Foster appealed for as-

sistance and constituted himself the

leader of the scandal forces. The bulk

of the time of the members was wasted

in the discussion of trivial matters of

administration. Most of the criticism

of the opposition was directed against

the conduct of two departments under

the administration of two ministers,

one of whom has been called to account

before a higher tribunal, while the

other is no longer a member of the gov-

ernment. Mr. Sifton in a single speech

speedily and effectively disposed of the

allegations against his conduct of the

Interior Department. And while in

general it may be admitted that the

government has nothing to complain

of in the manner in which the opposi-

tion of the *Debris* to the *Debris* is that such things are best left to the judgment of the individual. Consequently the Lord's Day Bill was subjected to severe criticism. It had to undergo drastic amendments, with the result that the conscience of the individual must still remain the principal agent in determining the manner in which the day of rest shall be observed.

## PACIFIC &amp; EASTERN RAILWAY BILL

There was considerable comment in Victoria upon the summary manner in which the bill providing for the construction of a railway from this city to Hudson Bay was disposed of in the Railway Committee of the House. It will be remembered that the division which killed the measure was taken on the 4th of July. In order that our readers may see for themselves who were for and who against the bill we publish the division list:

Yeas—Barr, Borden (Sir Frederick), Caldwell, Chisholm (Antigonish), Dwyer, Desjardins, Empherson, German, Greenway, Jackson (Elgin), Jackson (Selkirk), Kennedy, Lake, Lanctot, Leonard, Logan, Loggie, Macdonald, McCool, McLennan, Roche (Halifax), Ross (Himousk), Stewart, Templeman, Thompson, Tobin, Zimmerman.

Nays—Adams, Alcorn, Bennett, Blain, Boyce, Brabazon, Brown, Cash, Christie, Clements, Cochrane, Devlin, Dubau, Ethier, Finlay, Finlayson, Fortier, Gallner, Guthrie, Hart, Henderson, Hughes (Victoria), Johnston, Lancaster, Lapointe, Letourgy, Macdonell, Martin (Queen's P. B. L.), Martin (Wellington), Monk, Paquet, Pickup, Pringle, Ratz, Reid (Greenville), Ross (Cape Breton), Schell (Glengarry), Schell (Oxford), Smith (Westworth), Sproule, Telford, Walsh, Wilson (Lennox and Addington), Wilson (Russell), Wright (Renfrew).

It will be observed that the number of members present was very small, less than half of the entire committee voting. The bill was defeated by the lobbying put up by Mackenzie & Mann, the Conservatives generally voting against the measure. Among the majority, however, are a number of Liberals, while in favor of the bill are but two Conservatives.

## REAPING THE WHIRLWIND.

The Russian revolutionists, patriots or anarchists, or whatever designation the world may choose to apply to them, have got another of their divinely ordained rulers. If all reports with respect to the character of Admiral Choukhnin be true, he got only that which was his due. And he got it in a more merciful fashion than he applied what to his prejudiced mind appeared to be justice in the cases of many of his contumacious underlings. It is apparent that the grand dukes have had their day and also that another day is dawning in which the political conditions will not be so finely tempered to their sensitive skins. While we cannot but feel a certain amount of sympathy for the nobility who in the past have made such a contemptible use of the privileges to which they were born, it is quite futile for the classes who have neither toled nor spun, who have taken no measures whatever against the day of retribution, to kick against the pricks of fate. The Russian peasantry has not been educated into the frame of mind predicative of evolutionary reform. Furthermore, the nobles are evidently determined to resist any measures leading naturally and pleasantly up to such reforms. They are bound to hang on to their caste privileges as long as there is a forlorn hope of a ditch in which they can take refuge. Violence is going to be met with violence. Of the ultimate result there can be no doubt. But there is a good deal that is doubtful as to the length of time in which the country is to be kept in a state of turmoil and anarchy between two contending factions—the party of right and justice and the party of privilege and reaction. The position of the reactionaries has been rendered almost absolutely hopeless by the insubordination within the army. While discipline was possible of maintenance within the ranks of the army, there was always a possibility of a semblance of tranquillity being restored by the remorseless use of the rifle. But now that the army has become disaffected the credit of the empire is undermined. The money-lenders of Europe will draw their purse strings tight, and the forces represented by the hereditary rulers must depend absolutely upon their own resources and the efficiency of the tax-gatherers. It is therefore evident that there is no hope for unhappy Russia until her form of government is made conformable to the will of the people, while the will of the autocracy is inflexibly opposed to any such desirable consummation. The rest of the world which is conducting its affairs under happier conditions, and watching the terrible struggle, expressing its sympathy for the classes who will be forced to bear the brunt of the brutal clashes of warring factions.

We observe that Victoria is not the only city on the coast with a serious water question on its hands. There are shortages in Vancouver and in Seattle, but these cities have not got a private company standing in the way of a satisfactory solution of the problem.

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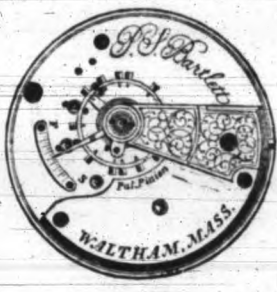
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The Parliamentary recess which commences to-day will be the shortest on record. And during the session which will begin within a very few months matters of real importance to the country, such as the fiscal policy of the future, will be brought up for consideration. This is a question that will

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## CASE DROPPED.

C. S. Battle Has Decided Not to Press Assault Charge.

The charge of common assault which was entered by C. S. Battle against E. D. Leveson, has been dropped, and the case will not be proceeded with. This charge arose out of the dispute about timber lands which occurred some time ago and which resulted in Mr. Leveson preferring a charge of assault occasioning bodily harm against Battle, with the result that the latter was committed for trial.

A counter action was then entered, in which Battle charged Leveson with common assault. The case was remanded in the police court yesterday, but will not be pressed. Battle deciding to drop it.

## PERSONAL.

Capt. Geo. McSpadden, building inspector of Vancouver, the Misses McSpadden and a party of their lady friends, are at the Dominion.

G. L. Christie and wife, of El Paso, Texas, and B. M. Brodick, J. A. McGowan and W. Campbell, of Vancouver, are at the King Edward.

Harry McIndoo, of Nanaimo, is in the city to-day, taking advantage of the Orange excursion from that city.

John Duke and John Jackson, of Vancouver, past grand masters of the Orange order, are at the Dominion.

Thos. Langlois, of Vancouver, of the R. C. Permanent Loan & Savings Company, is at the Grand.

Thos. Kitchen, the well-known real estate and mining broker, of Nanaimo, is in the city to-day.

Oscar V. White, of Sandom, and J. R. Grant and daughter, of Los Angeles, are at the Grand.

Hugh Atkin, formerly editor of the Nanaimo Herald, is in the city to-day.

R. P. Ambrose, of Cambridge, Eng., is at the Dominion.

B. T. Graham, of Los Angeles, is at the King Edward.

M. E. Lary, of Seattle, is at the Dominion.

SALT SPRING ISLAND NOTES.

(Special Correspondence of the Times.)

The popular comic opera, "The Pirates of Penzance," was presented at the public hall, Ganges, by the juvenile opera company, of Nanaimo, on Monday evening. The children performed their parts in a manner that elicited loud applause from the audience. Mrs. Dr. Davis, who had the arrangements in hand, cannot be commended too highly for her work. Miss L. Shaw ably presided at the piano.

(to be continued in a few months.)

All the farmers are busy at hay-making at the present time. There is a great scarcity of laborers.

About 500 pounds of butter was made at the creamery during June, according to C. W. Candell, the butter maker.

Biophone and Orchestral concert, Gorge park, to-night—free.

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